

ABSTRACT

IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO NETWORKING.

- 5 A network adapter capable of receiving data from a network, said adapter
arranged to receive data at at least a lowest and a highest rate; said adapter
comprising: sampling means arranged to sample said data; an equaliser
arranged to receive, and equalise, said data samples, and said equaliser
capable of being trained to equalise data, at at least, each of said lowest and
10 highest data rates; and training means capable of training said equaliser to
equalise data; wherein; said adapter is initially arranged to train said
equaliser to receive data at said lowest data rate allowing data to be
decoded and if upon decoding said adapter determines that said equaliser
has been trained to equalise data at the incorrect rate to retrain said equalise
15 to equalise data at the correct rate.

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